

Testimony 3/14/14

Re: SB 415

Senator Gerratana, Representative Johnson, and members of the Public Health Committee. I am writing in support of SB 415 "An Act Establishing Additional School-Based Health Centers".

My name is Carolyn Goodridge. I am representing the CT Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents as well as the Keep the Promise Children's Coalition.

This bill would create a greater continuum of care for students in two communities providing them with enhanced access to care in a convenient community setting. The School-Based Health Centers have proven to be effective and efficient providers of health and mental health for children in the state. Any expansion of these centers is a positive move to increase access to services for our state's children.

Please support this bill 415.

Thank you,

Carolyn Goodridge, Social Worker and Legislative Advocate